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Sir:

Attached hereto is a form 1449 listing British Publication of the present inventors 2,351,155. A copy of that publication is enclosed. The publication is the based upon the parent application on which continuation in part status has been claimed for the above identified application. The U.K. publication is not believed to be prior art in the U.S., but it is brought to the Examiner's attention by way of information. Also the search report from the United Kingdom Patent Office is enclosed for the Examiner's information.

The search was directed to claims which relate to the process and apparatus for recovering classified particulate samples from a cascade impactor. The applicant's earlier application was cited as of interest since it showed the cascade impactor, but not the sample recovery process. No more pertinent references were cited against such claims in the U.K.

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